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TAGS: SHUM, PINT, MI, US

SUBJECT: NUNSANI DETENTION

REF: A. STATE 143181; B. LILONGWE 766; C. LUSAKA 1710 USIAC

1. JUST SPOKE TO POLICE COMMISSIONER KAMWANA WHO SAID HE WAS TOTALLY UNAWARE OF LIFE PRESIDENT BANDA'S MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR RE FUNSANI'S RELEASE.

2. AS AMBASSADOR SAW BANDA MAY 19 AND LATTER DEPARTED FOR LONDON MAY 21, THIS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE. BANDA DID SAY IN MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR THAT HE COULD NOT GIVE EXACT TIME FOR RELEASE. AS DISCUSSED WITH AMBASSADOR PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR US, WE DOUBTED ANYTHING WOULD BE DONE IN A EMCE LIFE PRESIDENT BANDA.

3. IT NOW SEEMS CERTAIN THAT NOTHING WILL BE DONE UNTIL BANDA'S FROM LONDON WHICH SCHEDULED FOR MAY 30. GIVEN 5 WEEKS ABROAD AND FACT THAT INDEPEN- DENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS ARE SCHEDULED JULY 2-6* IT MOST UNLIKELY
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WE WOULD BE ABLE GET PRESIDENT TO FOCUS ON FUNSANI CASE UNTIL AFTER INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS.

4. AT THAT TIME, AMBASSADOR COULD CONTACT POLICE COMMISSIONER TO GO OVER SUBSTANCE OF MAY 19 MEETING WITH PRESIDENT AND REQUEST POLICE COMMISSONER TO FOLLOW THROUGH. THIS SHOULD GET THINGS STARTED. ALTERNATIVELY,

AMBASSADOR COULD SEEK MEETING WITH LIFETIME PRESIDENT BANDA
TO BRIEF SYM ON WASHINGTON CONSULTATIONS; THIS WOULD BE
SUREST WAY TO GET ACTION.

5. THIS TIMING SHOULD PERMIT US SETTLE ON FUNSANI
EMPLOYMENT (REFTEL C). IT WOULD HELP TO BE ABLE TO
INFORM EITHER POLICE COMMISSIONER OR BANDA THAT WE HAVE
FOUND EMPLOYMENT FOR FUNSANI ABROAD AND WILL EXPEDITE
HIS DEPARTURE FROM MALAWI AS SOON AS HE IS READY TO
TRAVEL. RE LAZTER, WE WOULD EXPECT FUNSANI TO HAVE
REGULAR MALAWIAN PASSPORT.
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